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### MAN OF WIDE FORCE.

George F. Baer, Magnate of the Anthracite Combine.

Never Misses Church and Believes That Deity Specially Guards Capital-Rose from the Case to Millionaire Class.

George F. Baer, keen, persevering and intensely earnest, holds at this time the most commanding position in the country. It is he who can stay or refuse to stay the coal war and decide how much or how little anthracite the people of the United States may burn this winter.

Mr. Baer is president of the Reading company and acknowledged leader of the Pennsylvania operators, and thus has it in his power to settle the prolonged dispute which for nearly six months has tied up the companies of the east. Yet, occupying the position he does, he is one of the least known men in the country, and a man, too, who has no desire to be known.

W. F. Clark, a photographer of Wilkesbarre, recently addressed a letter to President Baer, appealing to him as a Christian to settle the miners' strike. The writer said if Christ was taken more into our business affairs there would be less trouble in the world, and that if Mr. Baer granted the strikers a slight concession they would gladly return to work, and the president of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway company would have the blessing of God and the respect of the nation.

President Baer replied as follows:

I see you are evidently biased in your religious views in favor of the right of the workman to control a business in which he has no other interest than to secure fair wages for the work he does. I beg of you not to be discouraged. The right and interests of the laboring men will be protected and cared for, not by the labor agitators, but by the Christian men to whom God in his wisdom has given the control of the property interests of the country. Pray earnestly that the right may triumph at last, remembering that the Lord God



GEORGE F. BAER.  
(President of the Reading Company and Anthracite Trust.)

omnipotent still reigns and that his reign is one of law and order, and not of violence and crime.

When J. Pierpont Morgan the other day refused to interfere in the strike those who knew Mr. Baer smiled.

"Well, that may be Mr. Morgan's decision," they said, "but he couldn't do otherwise when Mr. Baer presented the case to him."

And that goes far to explain the character of the man. He is dominated by determination, by bulldog tenacity, and has a way of impressing his views upon others which in this case, it is believed, even the mighty Morgan could not resist.

George F. Baer is a Pennsylvanian by birth and is 60 years old. He does not look it. There are few gray hairs in his head and he is as erect as a man half his years. A dignity which is so pronounced that it almost seems to be deliberate marks his bearing.

For all that he is, so far from being an aristocrat, a self-made man. At the age of 13 he entered the office of the Somerset Democrat, in Somerset, Pa., his birthplace, and studied the trade at the case for two years.

In 1861 he and his brother Henry bought the Democrat, which was only a country weekly, and when the brother went to the war George edited and printed the paper by day and studied law by night.

Eventually he, too, decided to see service, and in 1862 he gave up the paper and raised a company of volunteers, of which he was made captain. He served in the army of the Potomac and became adjutant general of the second brigade. Then, when his term of service had expired, he went back to Somerset and resumed the study of law.

He was admitted to the bar in 1864 and went to Reading four years later. It was in those early days that he won a victory in a damage suit against the Reading, proving the possession of such ability that those in control of the railroad said: "This man is too dangerous as an enemy. We must have him on our side."

He was employed as counsel for the company, and in that way became a corporation man. His talents as a lawyer proved quite as valuable as had been anticipated and it was largely as a result of his skill in steering the

Reading over many difficult shows that he was at last elevated to the presidency.

In his tastes Mr. Baer is domestic. His home, Hawthorne, in the suburbs of Reading, is beautiful. He also has a large town house in Spruce street, Philadelphia, which he occupies during periods of the winter.

He is a deep student and has a comprehensive library. The family consists of himself, his wife and five daughters, two of whom are married.

### MR. HENRY L. WEST.

Secretary Cortelyou announced at the White House Monday the appointment of Henry Litchfield West as Commissioner of the District of Columbia to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John W. Ross. The appointment of Mr. West, who is well known in newspaper work in Washington, was overshadowed in THE BEE six weeks ago. Be-



DR. WILLIAM TINDALL.  
Before Whom Mr. West Took the Oath of Office.

sides being a personal friend of the President Mr. West has been strongly backed and urged by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts. Several years ago Senator Lodge urged President McKinley to appoint Mr. West as a Commissioner of the District.

The fight that has just ended in the appointment of Mr. West has been a long one lasting from the death of Mr. Ross, in July. There have been varying phases to the contest, but throughout Mr. West has been the most prominent candidate and the one closest at all times to appointment. In other words he has been the personal choice of the President, whose effort throughout has been to find a way to appoint his favorite.

A large number of candidates have been urged more or less vigorously at different times and the fight has been lively, although conducted throughout with little or no personal bitterness.

The New Commissioner.

Henry Litchfield West is known as a magazine writer of reputation, a student of national politics, a newspaper man of pronounced ability and a public-spirited citizen. As a contributor to the magazines he has become one of the editorial staff of the Forum. As a writer on politics he has reported fourteen national political conventions written numerous essays on various phases of political controversy and earned a reputation for his picturesque reports of political meetings and the proceedings of Congress. He is practically a product of District of Columbia institutions. His energies have been devoted almost exclusively to newspaper work.

His father was Robert West, editor-in-chief of the New York Commercial Advertiser, which accounts for the birth of Henry Litchfield, at Staten Island, N. Y. August 20, 1859. During the war of the rebellion, probably 1863, Mr. R. A. West came to Washington to become an editorial writer on Forney's Chronicle then the leading daily paper of the capital.

Mr. West Sworn In.

Thursday afternoon Mr. West was sworn in as District Commissioner. There were several distinguished people present to welcome Mr. West. At three o'clock Mr. West arrived, accompanied by Major Sylvester, and entered the board room, where were assembled the heads of the several departments, including Dr. L. E. Johnson, Col. F. H. Carson, L. M. Saunders, A. R. Randall, Capt. Cutler, Messrs. H. W. Woodward, W. X. Stevens, W. Calvin Chase and G. C. Ker Mahon of England.

Dr. William Tindall the secretary of the Board of Commissioners and one of the best known men in the United States, administered to Mr. West the oath of office. Com. Macfarland stood on the left of Mr. West and introduced him to those who passed in front of him to offer their congratulations.

### COLORED ODD FELLOWS.

New Haven Exchange.

The Grand United Order of Odd Fellows of America (colored) will hold its 11th biennial convention beginning tomorrow and will last five days. It will be opened in Harmonie hall at 10 o'clock a. m., and will be opened to the public. The visiting delegates will be welcomed by V. P. H. H. Hicks and his honor, Mayor Studley, will deliver the address of welcome to the representatives of the various lodges of this city. The committee of local branches which has been preparing for the convention have invited his excellency Governor George P. McLean, to address the assemblage on behalf of the State of Connecticut. The response will be by Grand Master E. H. Morris. The master of ceremonies will be M. V. P. F. S. Jones of New London.

Besides the opening exercises of Tuesday morning there will be given a

reception and entertainment to the grand officers, delegates and visiting friends under the auspices of Gleaners Household of Ruth, No. 53, at Harmonie Hall, Wednesday's sessions, morning and evening, will be devoted to business discussion and Thursday will be called the New England demonstration day and the principal feature of the day will be the grand parade.

All lodges, P. G. Masters' council are invited to participate. The parade will form on Goffe street at 12 o'clock and move at one p. m. over the following route: From Goffe to Orchardway, to Dixwell avenue, to Broadway, to York, to Chapel, to Church, to City Hall, to be reviewed by his honor, the mayor, and city officials, to Church, to Whitney avenue, to Trumbull, to Orange, to Edward and countermarch down Orange to Crown, to Church, to Meadow, to the Second Regiment armory, where the parade will be dismissed.

At the Armory there will be oration exercises and Rev. William A. Credit, D. D. P. V. F., of Philadelphia, Pa., will deliver one of the orations, and George Wilde, the grand secretary of the order in England, who is the fraternal delegate to the convention. Music will be by the Second Regiment Band. The evening event Thursday will be the grand reception and prome-

to Washington, D. C., and lay the same before their late comrades in arms.

Preambles:—Whereas, negroes, both as slaves and freedmen, did willingly enter into the armed service of the Colonies which eventually became the United States of America, and as such did heroically fight in all the wars of this country since its establishment, and whereas, since their emancipation, January 1, 1863 they did volunteer by tens of thousands and were received and fought valiantly the war of secession, and whereas, surviving negro soldiers of the war of 1861-65 have been denied registration as voters, even on the grounds of being honorably discharged Union soldiers, they and their descendants, the ex-soldiers of the war of 1865 and our sons, and the ex-soldier of the Spanish-American war, because of the injustice done to their compatriots in arms, do hereby petition the Grand Army of the Republic, in their sessions of October 6th, 1902, of their encampment at Washington, D. C., to take aggressive steps to right the wrong, unjustly practiced against the defenders of the Union, law abiding, and industrious citizens.

We are urged to this course by the unjust methods against us, due largely to color. Ex Confederate soldiers and their descendants enjoy all privileges

made at the Meadow Street Armory, where there will be a prize drill by the visiting patriots for the handsome United States flag, to be followed by a grand march with music by Well's orchestra

The grand committee of arrangements comprises H. H. Hicks, chairman; J. W. Pugh, secretary; N. M. Mayo, treasurer; J. H. Lancaster, S. H. Johnson, J. H. Colden, Frederick Young, C. A. Murray, George H. London, E. B. Howell and William H. Lynn.

### POLICE EFFICIENCY.

Major Sylvester Commends the Good Work of His Men.

Major Sylvester has issued a circular to the members of the police thanking them for their good work last week during the G. A. R. encampment. The circular reads: "It affords the major and superintendent much pleasure to be able to publish for the information of the members of the department a communication from B. H. Warner, chairman of the executive committee for the Grand Army encampment, expressive of his appreciation of the police efforts for that occasion, and to say that the excellent work, during prolonged hours, the general intelligent comprehension and carrying out of orders and the uniform good conduct on the part of individual members of the force, made this and otherwise favorable comment possible."

Mr. Warner's letter was printed in The Star a few days ago.

### ALABAMA REPUBLICANS DISFRANCHISE.

The Old Soldiers of the War of 1861-65.—A Shame.

Athens, Ala., Sept. 27, 1902.

The colored soldiers of the war of 1861-65, their sons and the soldiers of the Spanish-American War, assembled in a mass meeting at the Courthouse in this place and transacted the following business, by electing R. B. Barbee, Chairman. The following committee of three appointed on resolutions and address: Rev. J. C. Crenshaw, S. H. Turner and Rev. A. Clyde Randall, who reported the following address and resolutions which were unanimously adopted, after which comrade P. J. Crenshaw, was elected special messenger to bear this address and resolu-

and immunities guaranteed by the New Constitution of Alabama, why not we and our descendants? We love the union of States. Now we, the defenders of Constitutional liberty and republican government are required to bear duties incident to citizenship within this State, but are wonton debarred from registering as voters as ex-soldiers of States. Because of these wrongs, malicious discriminations and unjust burdens done to us and our children, wisdom and righteousness dictate, to petition the Congress of the United States of America, to redress the grievances unjustly placed and unjustly borne by us and our descendants.

Very respectfully,  
Your Committee,  
P. J. Crenshaw,  
S. H. Turner,  
A. Clyde Randall.

### NEGRO'S ADVICE TO HIS RACE.

Rev. Peyton Randolph Tells Them to Avoid Politics.

RICHMOND, Va., October 14.—Rev. Peyton Randolph, colored, successor to the late John Jasper, preached a sermon last night in his church, in which he counseled his members not to contribute a penny to the fund that is being raised to test the new state constitution. He advised the negroes that their best friends were the whites among whom they lived, and that the new suffrage laws would eventually work to the good of the negro. He held that no relief could be expected from Washington, and that negroes had best save their money and work out their salvation by education, securing property and correctly demeaning themselves.

### A New Bank Organized.

From the Vicksburg, Miss., Herald.

A number of prominent colored men, members of the Knights of Honor of the World, a well-known organization recently in supreme session at Montgomery, Ala., were in the city yesterday for the purpose of organizing a savings bank, in accordance with a resolution adopted at Montgomery. There was a full attendance of those who had been appointed on the board of directors. The meeting was called to order by Dr. E. A. Williams, of Cincinnati, the supreme dictator of the Knights of Honor of the World. The meeting was convened at the office of J. T. Spencer, supreme treasur-

er, on Washington street. By-laws were adopted, and the directors proceeded to elect the officers of the bank as follows: W. E. Moulton, president; Wesley Clayton, vice-president, who declined on account of pressure of private business, and on his motion Dr. E. A. Williams was elected vice-president; Taylor G. Ewing, Jr., was elected secretary, and W. T. Jones, treasurer. An executive committee, consisting of Wesley Clayton, R. F. Lacey, J. T. Spencer, L. W. W. Manaway, W. R. Springer, Mrs. W. C. Wallace, Mrs. C. M. Allen and the executive officers, was elected.

The books of subscription were opened, and it is calculated that the bank will be ready to do business by the first of December. It is understood that the stock, which is fixed at ten thousand dollars, has already been asked for.

### The Officer Convicted.

Kate Acres, colored, who was assaulted on August 11th last by officer Robt. Morris, who after her arrest, charged her with assaulting him and disorderly conduct was tried in the United States branch of the Police Court. The evidence disclosed the fact that Kate Acres was passing through an alley between I and K streets, northwest, on the 11th day of August 1902, and the officer thought that she was disorderly and placed her under arrest, in doing so he choked her, and placed the nippers on her wrist in such a manner and use such violence until she resisted arrest, whereupon she took his black jack and struck her a blow upon the top of her head knocking her to the ground, where she remained unconscious until citizens came to her relief. She was sent to the hospital and the next morning was brought to the court charged with disorderly conduct and assaulting the officer, who made the arrest. She was represented by Lawyer Ferri W. Frisby and acquitted of both charges, whereupon she swore out a warrant for Officer Robert Morris, charging him with an assault upon her. Officer Morris was tried and convicted before Judge Ivory G. Kimball and fined, and warned in making arrests, that the black jack and baton should not be used except in defense of the officer's person.

### The Negro as a Factor.

Attorney Thomas L. Jones delivered a very able address on last Sunday afternoon before the Secular League 516 9th street, northwest. Mr. W. H. White presided. The opening address was made by Dr. Crawford one of the ablest writers and thinkers in this country. After which Mr. Jones was introduced and for twenty-five minutes had kept his hearers interested. He spoke of the valor, the wealth and the power of the negro. The subject of his address was: "The Colored American as a Factor in Our National Life." At the conclusion of Mr. Jones' address Dr. Crawford whose name has frequently appeared in the daily papers as a writer and thinker, called the attention of the President to the presence of Mr. W. Calvin Chase, who was asked to make a few remarks to Mr. Jones' paper and after he concluded he was invited to read a paper Sunday January 16, 1903. The subject of his paper will be "The New Citizenship." Addresses were also delivered by Geo. Birney, Dr. Crawford and many others.

### TO GEORGIA REPUBLICANS.

A Reception Given by the Register, of the Treasury.

Mr. W. A. Pledger, chairman of the republican committee of Georgia, and Mr. John H. Deveau, secretary of the committee and collector of the port of Savannah, were tendered a reception last Tuesday evening by Mr. Judson W. Lyons, register of the treasury, at the latter's home on T street. The affair might be termed a stag party, there being no ladies in attendance. Prof. C. M. Hershaw presiding as a toastmaster.

The guests included Robert Smalls, South Carolina; J. C. Dancy, North Carolina; John P. Green, Ohio; E. E. Cooper and William Henry Smith, Washington; R. M. Thomson, Indiana; T. M. Dent, Georgia; B. M. Shark, Ohio; Dr. W. E. Mark and G. H. Hollins, North Carolina; D. H. Mason, New York; Justice Terrell, Washington; Robert Harlan, Ohio; Cyrus F. Adams, Illinois; James B. Deveau, Georgia; Thomas H. R. Clarke, Washington; Arthur Brooks, Roscoe Conkling Simmons and L. M. Hershaw.

### NO COLOR LINE.

A Washingtonian's Success.

Miss Mannie R. Lee, daughter of Rev. James H. Lee, has been transferred and promoted by the School Board of Flushing, N. Y., to a school in which there are fifty white pupils and two colored. A white man whose child is under Miss Lee writes the following letter of congratulation to her:

46 Wall St., New York.

September 7, 1902.

Miss Lee:—Accept our warmest congratulations on your recent transfer. Am glad to have constant under your charge. It must be gratifying to you, as I am sure it is to the race that at last the color line seems to be broken in the public schools of Flushing.

Yours,  
Thomas T. Smith.

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### PROF. JACQUES LOEB.

Considered One of the Great Biologists of the Day.

His Study of the Chemistry of Life Has Astonished the World—May Leave Chicago and Go to California.

Dr. Jacques Loeb, professor of experimental physiology at the University of Chicago, is now at San Francisco, where he has gone to pursue his researches. He is the guest of President Wheeler, of the University of California, and there are rumors that great efforts will be made to induce him to accept a chair at Berkeley.

President Harper was greatly disturbed when his scientist received a call to the University of California a few months ago, and feared that Dr. Loeb would go to the Pacific coast to remain. Dr. Loeb was offered a magnificent sea aquarium if he would go to California.

This sea aquarium has been one of the facilities for his study that Dr. Loeb has wanted for a long time, and he was much impressed by the California offer. The scientist has not been able to secure as many animals on which to experiment at the university as he has wished.

President Harper felt that he could not lose his studious professor, therefore he has persuaded a friend of the university to build and endow a fine sea aquarium where Dr. Loeb can grow all the jelly fish, sea urchins and other salt water inhabitants that he wishes.

A little more than a year ago, says the Philadelphia Press, Dr. Loeb came prominently into public notice, when he demonstrated that it was possible by artificial processes to produce life, or living beings.

Prof. Loeb is 42 years of age, a native of Germany. Early in his career



PROF. JACQUES LOEB.  
(International Authority on Experimental Physiology.)

he was led to the study of biology. Beginning in Strassburg and Wurzburg, Dr. Loeb worked zealously. About nine or ten years ago he left his native country and went to Bryn Mawr, and eight years ago joined the faculty of the University of Chicago. In this institution the professor has been associated with the Hull Physiology laboratory, in which he has made some wonderful advances in scientific knowledge. He is a physician as well as a physiologist.

Early in his researches, he says, he concluded that forces of nature obtaining in living things are the same as those which govern inanimate objects. With such a belief he felt impelled to take life in his hands and play with it, to direct it at will, as if a man were master of it.

At the outset Dr. Loeb inquired, Why does a moth fly to the light? A flower turn toward the sunshine? So much may suffice for an illustration, but there were innumerable other questions presented to him as a result of observation of phenomena. A rule of action was seen in each and every one, and Dr. Loeb was led to believe that the same forces lie behind the rule in the animate and inanimate orders. These were mere preliminary steps. They led to experiments with the lower forms of animal life, which are difficult of classification as animal or plant. He made an incision in one of them, and a moth made its appearance with tentacles, which took in food, but rejected bits of paper.

Experimenting with a jellyfish, he cut away the upper portion, and the fish ceased moving. Placing it upon common salt the body resumed its characteristic movements as if life were returned. A trace of potassium stopped the movements.

Studies on the effects of salts upon life phenomena followed, and unfertilized eggs treated with a solution of chloride of magnesium developed life. It is well known that unfertilized eggs very soon decay, hence they cannot be termed living matter. They are, therefore, simply organic matter, which, when treated chemically, as discovered by Prof. Loeb, can be developed into living organisms.





## They Say.

The "Jim Crow" Committee of the Grand Army Encampment has gone with Weller.

The Democratic party in Maryland will not capture the colored vote.

The officer's club is being frequently used.

Judge Kimball gave the officers a lecture in the Police Court on Monday.

There is one way to succeed and that way is to do what is right.

There are times when one should smile.

What has become of the leading negroes.

If any one can tell what the Business Men's League accomplished at Richmond, The Bee will second the motion.

The negro in America is a peculiar being. He never knows when he is hurt.

He may be able to distinguish between right and wrong some day.

If you are certain in what you do, don't hesitate in doing it.

The so-called independent movement in Maryland is a bubble.

Mr. Pearrie will be elected in November the independent movement to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is so strange that no colored man can be appointed in the Police Court.

Some people can never see any good in the negro.

There should be a change in the lieutenantancy of the 8th precinct.

It is always best to hear both sides of all questions before you come to a conclusion.

A good citizen is one who knows how to treat his fellow man.

A bird never flies so high that he is not compelled to come to the ground for food.

Never do anything in anger because you may do an injury to your self.

The noblest man in the world is he who has humanity in his soul.

The next House of Representatives is in doubt.

The Colored American sees no of flee in sight, hence it put on an independent dress last week.

It is not certain how the negro will vote next fall.

Trimmers and apologists always put on peculiar uniforms.

The Bee knows its duty and hence it needs no advice from trimmers.

Colored delegates from the South will be scarce in the next Republican Convention.

The Bee will not be surprised if Georgia does not follow Alabama and North Carolina.

This is a world of deception and false doctrines.

There was not much danger in the Washington contingent being lost in the shuffle at Birmingham, Ala.

Don't be alarmed at the next political bomb that goes off.

Speaker Henderson had some reason for declining the nomination.

There will be some hot times in the next National Republican Convention.

Be truthful and then you will never go astray.

This is an age of surprises and don't you forget it.

Be what you are nothing more will be expected of you.

False faces are dangerous masks and often lead to destruction.

Cheatham will be heard from shortly and in a surprising manner.

Booker Washington loves notoriety.

President Roosevelt in his efforts to make him a leader will not succeed.

The negroes will select their own leader.

Read The Bee if you want a true Colored American and a correct Record of events.

## MISS ESTELLE REEL.

Reappointed Superintendent of Indian Schools of the Country by President Roosevelt.

The honorable distinction of being the first woman appointed to an office by President Roosevelt belongs to Miss Estelle Reel, of Wyoming, who has been named as superintendent of Indian schools. Miss Reel is now the national superintendent of Indian schools for the United States and travels constantly over the length and breadth of the land visiting schools and organizing and establishing innovations in the line of manual training on the various reservations. Miss Reel is young and enthusiastic and has force enough for several women, but no more than she needs in her work of inspiring the red men to better living and a greater degree of industry. She traveled 24,000 miles last year—more than half of the distance by stage coach.



MISS ESTELLE REEL.  
(Reappointed Superintendent of Indian Schools.)

My work is simply the extension of the work already done in the government schools and shops," she said, in speaking of her experiences among the Indians. "It requires the utmost persuasive power and plenty of devising and original thinking to do the work laid out for me. The fact that I have accomplished something in the west is apparent in comparing the life of Indians who live within a night's ride of Chicago with that of some who live in Oregon. The former are in as barbarous a condition as they were when America was discovered. Much of my work is far from being technical education. The girls must be taught the rudiments of home-making and the boys the trades, so that they can take their places in civilization. When I find a school excellent I carry its work around to show some other school and in that way inspire to good work.

Miss Reel's success is a strong argument in favor of her sex occupying the high places in the ranks of education.

Such has been the increase in population in civilized countries that the space occupied by one person a century ago must now contain three.

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A few days ago Senator Clark, the Montana multi-millionaire, went into a Butte barber shop for a haircut and a shave. When he asked the price at the end of the service the barber replied: "Your son, Charley usually gives me five dollars." The senator quietly asked the regular fee, and when told it was 50 cents, handed out a half-dollar and went his way, with the remark to the barber: "My son Charley has a rich father, and I have not!"



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## LASH FOR INDOLENCE

Georgia Negroes Form Unique and Determined Society.

To Whip Those of Their Own Race Who Fail to Provide for Their Families—Much Good Already Accomplished.

Negroes living in the neighborhood of New Providence church, a few miles from Dublin, Ga., have distinguished themselves by forming a society which for originality probably has no equal in the whole country. The society is, of course, composed entirely of negroes and has for its object the betterment of the race, the inculcation of right principle and right living in the negroes, especially those who are members of the society, and the making of better citizens of those who live in the neighborhood of the headquarters of the society.

The plan of the society is to inquire into the mode of living of its members and to correct, if possible, any defects found in the character of those who belong to the society. To that end any erring brother who fails to right any wrong he has been guilty of is, on conviction, soundly thrashed in the presence of the other members of the society.

As soon as charges are preferred against a member he is at once notified. If he corrects the evil complained of by the next regular meeting all well and good. If he fails or refuses to correct his faults as seen by members of the society, if not of all men, he is tried by court-martial. A court is formed, evidence is taken and his guilt or innocence established. The one under charge is allowed to procure counsel from among the members and is given every opportunity to prove his innocence. If proven guilty the punishment is always a whipping, which the erring one submits to with the best possible grace.

Since the formation of the society a few weeks ago three of the members have been guilty of failing to provide themselves good citizens and provide



MARK WAS WHIPPED.

husbands and have been whipped. It was reported to the society that Mark Cadwell's wife was badly in need of a wash pot. He was ordered to show cause why he had not provided his better half with this most necessary utensil. He failed to buy a pot before the trial came off or to show when tried that his wife could manage without one, and still not be put to any great amount of inconvenience. Conviction therefore, resulted and Mark was whipped. The fact that he is a brother of the secretary of the society did not save his hide.

In riding past the home of Early Burch it was seen by one of the members of the society that his front gate had fallen down. From all appearances he had made no effort to put it up, although to swing it again would require but little work and but a small outlay of money for hinges. On the trial of Early the facts were brought out that the gate had been down some weeks and that his wife had made repeated efforts to get her husband to take more pride in the care of his home. Conviction followed and Early will remember a long time the corporal punishment he received at the hands of the other members of the society.

The next meeting of the society will be held at an early date and it is said that at that time several members will be tried if previously they do not correct the things complained of. One of the members, Lewis Burch by name, has been summoned to show cause why he has not provided a tackle for his well so that his wife can draw water with more ease than at present. It is said that the society is doing a world of good in the neighborhood where it has headquarters. It is making better citizens of the blacks who are members.

Even those who have not joined have caught the spirit of the thing and are trying to live the lives of more useful citizens and to take better care of their homes and their families. The white people living near New Providence church in no way interfere with the workings of the society. They are well-wishers in the object of the society and hope that its results will be far-reaching. They are watching with much interest the results, but are offering no suggestions, preferring that the negroes work out their own salvation in this unique way if that is their purpose and intention. The existence of this strange society, says the Chicago Chronicle, is vouched for by James Roach and other reputable white men living near New Providence church.

Now Noon Comes at 12 M. Since the fall of the Campanile in Venice, the gun that used to announce noon and sunset is silent.

## WOMAN BEATS SHARK.

Jumped Overboard to Save Her Line and Towed the Monster to Shallow Water.

Mrs. Mary Foley, at Walnut Beach, Conn., is the champion fisherwoman of the colony of summer residents. She captured a five-foot shark, but it took her an hour to accomplish the task, and she was obliged to jump out of her boat to save her tackle.

Mrs. Foley and a party of women friends went out to catch bluefish off Charles island. Soon after dropping their lines overboard Mrs. Foley felt a tug. She thought she had hooked a large bluefish, but when she at-



FELT A TUG.

tempted to land it she was unable to do so.

When the monster found that he was caught he began to lunge, and the line swished back and forth through the water and Mrs. Foley's fingers were burned in deep ridges.

There were but a few more yards of the line left on the reel, and Mrs. Foley, realizing that she would lose line, fish and all if she did not do something, jumped overboard. She is an expert swimmer, and knowing that her friends in the boat would keep close to her, she felt no fear.

The fish continued to lunge through the water, but was slowly tiring, and Mrs. Foley was gradually working him to the shallow water off Charles island. Finally she was able to reach the bottom with her feet, and then the fact that the fish was a shark became apparent.

The occupants of the boat rowed up close, and after considerable punching and beating with the oars managed to kill the shark. The catch was taken aboard the boat and the women triumphantly rowed back to Walnut Beach, three miles away.

Mrs. Foley says she enjoyed the exciting experience greatly, but she would not care to tackle a much larger shark for fear of being pulled out to sea.

## BUTTONED TO LAMP POST.

Flight of a Professor Who Had Indulged Too Freely in Gay Birthday Festivities.

"The members of a certain learned society," says the Pittsburgh Bulletin, "had been indulging in birthday festivities, and when dinner and the subsequent enjoyments were over Prof. Jones started off to trudge the half-mile or so to his home. The professor is a very clever man, and noted for the



UNABLE TO MOVE.

keenness of his intellect. The excitement and the unusually hearty dinner, followed by the abstruse discussion in which he had been engaged, had given him a headache; so, approaching an electric light post, he pressed his throbbing brow against the cord iron. Thus he stood for a few minutes. Then, feeling a little chilly, he buttoned his overcoat preparatory to proceeding on his way home, but, to his horror, when he attempted to leave the post he found himself unable to move. A brain such as the professor's works quickly, and the reason for his detention soon seemed clear. Evidently the current which fed the lamp above had become diverted from its course and was passing through his body, binding him to the post in the process. Death, ghastly and horrible, stared him in the face. Gradually his backbone would become dissolved to a jelly, and while the awful process was going on he must stand there as helpless as a butterfly pinned to a cork. This attracted the attention of a policeman, who hurried up, and then, shaking with laughter, listened to the professor's explanation. When he had finished the policeman unfastened the professor's overcoat from the post, round which he had inadvertently buttoned it."

Big Hedge of Sweet Peas. In Rockland, Me., there is a hedge of sweet peas that measures 1,700 feet.







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## Commissioner West.

Soon after the death of John W. Ross dozens of good men were mentioned for the vacancy. Among whom was Mr. Harry L. West of the *Washington Post*. The enemies of this distinguished journalist published a report and sent letters to President Roosevelt that Mr. West had advocated lynching; that he was the cause of the Wilmington riot and other acts inimical to the negro. The negro press and the negro politician and that self constituted committee that went to Oyster Bay and urged other men, claiming to represent the colored people in this city. When in fact none had any authority to speak for the colored people and the committee less authority to speak for itself. A man must not argue to himself, simply because he has been appointed to a job, that he is an authorized representative of the people. The *BEE* has maintained all along that Mr. West would be appointed if competency and qualification counted for anything. The *BEE* is personally acquainted with Mr. West and it knows that he was no more responsible for the Wilmington riot than the Editor of the daily *Record* who had to leave Wilmington for writing an article in defense of his people. There are some cowardly politicians whose names The *BEE* will not, at this time, mention declared that the Editor of the *Record* was responsible for the riot. If that be so why do they now claim that Mr. West was? There is not a better friend to the negro than Mr. West, who has recently been appointed District Commissioner and the colored people, of this city, will be thoroughly convinced that they will find a good friend in him. When he went to Wilmington as correspondent of the *Post*, he telegraphed the facts as they then existed in that State and nothing more. There are hundreds of Republicans in office, more inimical to the negro than Mr. West is and so far as The *BEE* is concerned it can justly say that his appointment is satisfactory to the colored people, since a democrat had to be appointed.

## She Made Gardening Pay.

Mrs. Martha S. Hill, of Milwaukee, Wis., is fond of gardening. While digging in her back yard she found 25 bottles containing coins and paper money to the value of \$1,000. In one of the bottles was a statement written by Dr. Caspar Schuerman, long since dead, that he had thus buried \$10,000. The doctor's widow claims the money already found, and Mrs. Hill still continues gardening in that spot.

## Not on the Grand Jury.

Here is the way a Pawnee county man confessed at a revival meeting in Kansas. He had been pressed to repent, and finally got up and said: "Dear friends, I feel the spirit moving in me to talk and tell what a bad man I've been, but I can't do it while the grand jury is in session." "The Lord will forgive you," shouted the preacher. "I guess that's right," said the penitent, "but he ain't on the grand jury."

## Thought-Weighing Machine.

A thought-weighing machine has been invented by Prof. Mosso, an Italian physiologist, the rush of blood to the head turning the scale. The machine is so delicate that it can measure the difference in the exertion needed to read Greek from that required for Latin.

## Pillar of Cloud and Fire.

The "burning mountain" of Montet, in Aveyron, France, which is often mistaken for an active volcano because a pillar of cloud arises from it by day and a pillar of fire by night, is in reality a coal mine which has been burning for several years.

## CHARLES F. MURPHY.

Man Just Elected to Leadership of Tammany Hall is a Forceful Politician.

Charles F. Murphy is one of the youngest and yet one of the best trained leaders in Tammany hall. Born on the East side 41 years ago, he worked as a car driver for several years, and then became interested in the liquor business, which he quit three years ago after he had amassed a considerable fortune.

Early in life he became interested in politics, and joined the County democracy and followed that faction into Tammany Hall. With the death



CHARLES F. MURPHY.  
(The New Leader of Tammany Hall Democracy, New York.)

of Senator "Eddie" Hagan he succeeded to the leadership of the Eighteenth district, where he has developed an organization as compact as any—even the far-famed Twenty-eighth—in the city. He never held office except in the Van Wyck administration, when he was a dock commissioner.

In appearance Mr. Murphy is youthful far below his years. His voice is mild and his manner quiet and he has a pronounced habit of never talking until he has something to say and then not telling more than he wants one to know. He was recently married and lives in unpretentious style in East Seventeenth street, facing Stuyvesant square.

The new leader might be taken for a priest at first glance. His smooth-shaven face, the high, straight collar he wears, the black necktie, the dark clothing help along the idea.

But inspection shows that his face lacks something that is apparent in the faces of all priests—the expression that comes from submission. There is nothing in the face of Charles F. Murphy to indicate that he would submit to anybody. It is a fearless face, the face of a commander of men.

He has a hard gray eye and thin lips. When he smiles two funny little wrinkles form in his chin, one on each side. He has a pleasant smile, but he does not smile often. It might be said that he has two smiles—one he uses when he amuses himself and the other when somebody else amuses him. There is a difference in the smiles, but it cannot be explained on paper.

## FROM FORGE TO FORUM.

Edward G. Vail, a Cleveland Blacksmith, Will Strive to Be Elected to Congress.

Edmund G. Vail, a blacksmith of Cleveland, O., and one of the prominent members of the Tom Johnson faction, will endeavor to represent



EDMUND G. VAIL.  
(Cleveland's Popular Blacksmith Candidate for Congress.)

The Twenty-first Ohio district in congress next term. He has announced himself as a candidate and will make the race. The district comprises the county of Cuyahoga and 27 wards of the city of Cleveland. He is a blacksmith employed in the shops of the American Shipbuilding company in Cleveland, but is well known for his liberal and even radical views in politics and economics. Mr. Vail many years ago was a congressional candidate on the national ticket. He has written and lectured freely in the interest of the workingmen.

The present congressman, Theodore H. Burton, was elected over Sylvester V. Macmahon, a democrat, the former receiving 28,695 votes and the latter 21,947. George H. Lytle, union reformer, received 145 votes; Albert L. Talcott, prohibitionist, received 328 votes; Paul Dinger, socialist, received 344 votes, and Max Hayes, socialist democrat, received 379 votes. Vail is popular with the laboring element and is backed by Tom Johnson, the new and growing power in Cleveland politics.

## BATTLE WITH ADDER.

Rich Prize Secured by a Connecticut Snake Hunter.

When He Had the Reptile by the Tail, and Three Other Men Took Hold, It Still Put Up a Tremendous Fight.

The largest adder ever caught in Connecticut has, according to the New York Sun, been taken alive by Otto Lehmann and C. E. Potter, of East Glastonbury. It is ten feet and more in length and weighs 12 pounds.

The East Glastonbury country is very wild. Cat House Mountain, where the adder was caught, has deep ravines in which the sun never shines. As years sometimes go by without a man entering them they are a paradise for reptiles. The mountain gets its name from a little log house where trappers lived years ago when hunting wildcats. No man had entered the particular ravine where the big snake was caught in ten years.

Lehmann found the other day a skin which measured eight feet in length. It had evidently been discarded recently. Knowing that snakes with new skins are tender and sore, he thought that the time had come for capturing the reptile. So he immediately organized a party which included Tax Collector Douglas, a farmhand named Kinney Potter and himself. Along in the afternoon he spotted the snake in the scrub timber. It was just 15 feet in front of him.

About the time that Lehmann discovered the snake the adder became acquainted with Lehmann's presence. It started to run toward the rocks ahead. "I thought he was going a mile a minute," said Lehmann. He made a wild dive and grabbed the adder about six inches from the tail. The snake didn't stop, though Lehmann, who weighs 170 pounds, held on. It pulled him right



## WENT THROUGH A CREVICE.

along to a stone wall and went through a crevice.

"I braced my head against a stone and got a new grip," said Lehmann, "and hollered for help. Potter is a bit deaf, but he came to my rescue."

Potter got a hold on the snake just below the head. The others of the party got a good hold, too. The adder squirmed and many times nearly got away. The four men were knocked over, but they held on. Potter kept a tight hold of the snake's wind and in time had him tuckered. The fight had lasted for an hour when the snake was put in a box.

"He hissed and screeched like a skyrocket going off," said Lehmann.

"It sounded like escaping steam to me," said Tax Collector Douglas.

"We would never have got him alive in the world," says Potter, "but for the fact that his skin was tender and he couldn't stand being hurt like he could if his skin had been on a month's time."

"The snake is a fine buff color marked with black. He is remarkably strong and continually shows his resentment of confinement by hissing and spitting. All the scales of his nose are worn off by his attempts to push his head through a steel wire netting over his cage."

To make the day's sport complete the party brought in three rattlesnakes. One had nine rattles, another 11 and the largest 12. These snakes were four and five feet long. Lehmann is an old snake hunter. He has captured 200 rattlers in the last four or five years, and all of them were taken on Cat House Mountain. Notwithstanding the great number he has captured Lehmann believes the country is over-run with them yet. "They multiply very fast," he says. "I captured a rattler recently that had 25 young ones."

"It is a common belief that snakes shed their skins once a year," added Lehmann, "but they shed them oftener than that. This discarding of the old skin always follows a hearty meal. Let a snake eat a rabbit, as they will, or a chicken, and they take them into their system with one bite, and immediately afterward they shed a skin. I've killed rattlers and opened them up and found a whole squirrel. I've tried to fathom it out how they could take so large a food morsel at once, but they can."

Several zoological societies have made offers for the big adder, as it is believed to be the finest specimen in captivity.

## Mosquitoes Like Dark Blue.

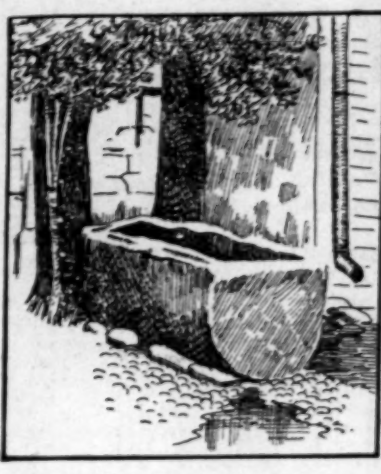
Mosquitoes are attracted and repelled by some colors more than by others, in the following order: Sea-blue, dark red, brown, red (black, grey, dark green, violet, light blue, pearl grey, pale green, white, orange, and yellow. Dark blue possesses for them the strongest attraction, and yellow the least.

## WASHINGTON'S TROUGH.

Picturesque Basin Where the Leader of the Revolution Often Watered His Horses.

The famous old stone basin from which Washington watered his horses in revolutionary days is no longer used as a pump trough. It has been removed from the obscurity of the old frame pumphouse adjoining the Bartram mansion (where for nearly a century it collected the waters from the cooling springs of the old well) and has been given a position of honor just outside of the historic mansion.

At first glance it seems to have been placed thus in order to serve as a huge stone cistern to collect



TROUGH WITH A HISTORY.  
(George Washington Frequently Watered His Horse at It.)

the rain water from the projecting eaves, but closer inspection shows that the rain spout is turned away from it, and it is not intended to serve any practical purpose, but is simply preserved as a treasured relic. In giving it a position of honor, where it will attract the attention of the visitor soon after entering the famous gardens, the place has been carefully chosen. For although it had been taken from the old well which, perhaps, seemed a more appropriate place for it, where it stood when Washington's horses drank from it, it has been placed near the famous "Washington arbor" on the river front of the Bartram house. Only a few yards away in the long ago there stood the Washington arbor, overlooking the shining stretch of Schuylkill.

Close by this mammoth stone basin or trough, on the lawn on the river front of the house, are two noble boxwood trees sent from Smyrna, Turkey, to Mr. Bartram by the earl of Bute, over 160 years ago. Appropriate surroundings these for the historic old stone trough, says the Philadelphia Record.

## STATUES FOR CHICAGO.

Replica of French's "Washington" and Statue of McKinley Soon to Be Erected.

A replica of the heroic equestrian statue of Washington, designed by Daniel C. French, the Boston sculptor, and erected at a cost of \$48,000 in Paris by the Daughters of the Revolution, will be set up in Washington park, Chicago. The duplicate of the famous original will cost \$26,000. Of this sum \$15,000 has been contributed by Chicago men of wealth who wish their names withheld, and has been placed in the hands of Henry C. Foreman, of the South Park board. At a meeting of the South Park commissioners the board decided to raise the remaining



STATE OF WASHINGTON.  
(To Be Erected at Once in Washington Park, Chicago.)

\$11,000. Commissioners Foreman and Best were appointed a committee to attend to the selection of a site in the park and to arrange for the construction of a foundation and pedestal. The statue will stand nearly 40 feet in height. It will be cast in bronze. French is considered one of the greatest of living plastic artists. He designed the "Statue of the Republic" at the world's fair. Among his other noted creations in bronze and marble are "The Minute Man of Concord" at Concord, a statue of Gen. Cass in the capitol at Washington, a statue of Rufus Choate in the Boston court house, a statue of John Harvard at Cambridge, Mass., and "Dr. Gallaudet and His First Deaf-Mute Pupil." President Crilly gave his personal guarantee to raise enough money for the casting of a statue of President McKinley, to be erected in McKinley park, and the board decided to contribute as much as \$11,000 for the base and pedestal. President Crilly and Commissioners Hodgkin and Walton were appointed to obtain designs for the McKinley statue and estimates of its cost.

## WHITE HOUSE CHINA.

Entirely New Dinner Set Selected by Mrs. Roosevelt.

Great Seal of the United States to Be Its Distinctive Design—Pattern Itself Is of the So-Called Colonial Style.

When Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt retires as the mistress of the white house she will leave a souvenir which will endear her to future president's wives.

With the change in the interior decorations and arrangements of the white house there will also be a new set of china and glassware which will be the envy of every housewife in the country. It is doubtful if there is another set as handsome in use in the United States. The price to be paid for this porcelain service is not divulged, but it is said it will be about \$30,000 for the 800 or more pieces.

When Mrs. Roosevelt began her duties in the white house she found that the china for state occasions and large receptions had been in use since 1880, having been selected by Mrs. Hayes. The first social function given by Mrs. Roosevelt showed that the service was entirely inadequate. This service is very handsome, and cost \$25,000, but time and servants have left their marks upon it. It was designed by Theodore R. Davis, and the decorations were American fauna and flora. It was manufactured by Haviland & Co., of France. The designs were made in water color, and although in nearly every instance they were bold and striking, they were difficult to reproduce upon porcelain with hard mineral colors. To successfully accomplish this it was necessary to invent new methods and have recourse to peculiar mechanical appliances.

Mrs. Roosevelt sent nearly a year ago for Charles M. Van Heusen, of



MRS. THEODORE ROOSEVELT.  
(Mistress of White House Who Has Just Ordered New Set of China.)

Albany, and commissioned him to visit the noted factories with the idea of submitting a collection of china and glass for her inspection. President Roosevelt was very much interested in the matter and took part in the discussions relative to what should be selected. It was decided that the great seal of the United States, which is so rarely seen now that few are acquainted with it, should be enameled on the service. Then the hunt for samples commenced.

After several months of searching Mr. Van Heusen submitted to President and Mrs. Roosevelt 78 different and exclusive designs. They ranged in price from \$18,000 to \$30,000. Noted decorators of china had been at work for months, and possibly never before has there been such a beautiful collection of original designs in ceramic art presented to the consideration of any one with a similar idea in view. It seemed as if any taste could be gratified. Deep rich reds, beautiful blues and yellows, rose du Barrys and the different shades of green of the very simplest treatments that can be imagined were submitted.

It was a hard matter to arrive at a selection, but Mrs. Roosevelt was determined that the design should be simple and not at all gaudy. Assisted by her husband, Mrs. Roosevelt finally selected for the white house service a simple Colonial pattern in gold, with the obverse of the great seal of the United States enameled in color as the decorative feature. It was made by Wedgwood. This design will be exclusively for the white house and copyrighted.

That there might be no flaw in the service Mrs. Roosevelt declared the manufacturers should take all the time they needed to have a perfect set. It is expected the service will be ready for use at one of the January functions in the white house.

The white house service will consist of 15 dozen plates, 10 dozen tea plates, 5 dozen soup plates, 8 dozen after dinner coffee cups and saucers, 10 dozen teacups and saucers, 10 dozen oyster plates, 10 dozen fish plates and 24 platters.

The glassware is also strikingly beautiful. It consists of 144 pieces. The goblets are very thin and so fragile that the slightest pressure would break one.

## A Remarkable Personage.

In a village in Gloucestershire, England, there is an old woman who has been a letter carrier for 60 years.

## TOY SINGS RAGTIME.

Coney Island Has a Chinaman Who Has Ventured into the Field of American Song.

Did you ever hear of a Chinaman who sang ragtime?

There is only one on record up to date. John Chinaman usually has had enough time learning to speak a few English words, and is very well satisfied if he can pass you a comment on the weather over his laundry counter, and tell you how much you owe him, without venturing into the field of American song.

Top Toy, who runs the Chinese chop suey stand in Cheyenne Joe's Wild



## SINGS FOR HOURS.

West tavern at Coney Island, has become more ambitious than the rest of his countrymen, says the New York World, and by persistent effort has mastered, to a degree, the difficulties of the ordinary "coon" song and won the reputation of being the only Chinaman ragtime singer in the world.

Top Toy has not yet reached perfection in his new line; he still persists in adding his "ees" to every other word, and substituting 1 for r and b for v, but it is a case of "don't shoot the musician, he's doing the best he can," and Top's ragtime is rendered the more interesting and amusing because of his combination of Chinese and negro dialects.

Top is primarily a chop suey cook and an expert in his line. He lays claim to no distinction as a singer, and modestly refuses to appear in public. But when the crowd is gone and Top is left in the company of a few friends he will sing for hours, and it is worth a good price of admission to hear him.

"Please Go Way and Let Me Sleep," "Josephine, My Joe," "My Girl Is a High-Born Lady," "Ain't Dat a Shame," and "Mr. Bailey's Won't You Please Come Home," are Top's favorites, and the way he labors through them would bring a laugh from the Sphinx.

Top Toy is about 27 years old, and has been in this country a number of years.

## QUEER HIDING PLACE.

Runaway Dwarf Monkey Secreted Himself in Old Trainers' Pocket for Two Weeks.

"Tony," the dwarf monkey of the Philadelphia zoo, and the special pet of its keeper, Murray, was found the other morning in the pocket of an old pair of trousers, where it had been hiding for two weeks.

When Tony disappeared a search was made high and low, and everything in the mammal house was turned upside down, but all to no good. It was then



## IT WAS TONY.

accepted that Tony had escaped, and Murray's only consolation was the hope that he would get homesick and return voluntarily.

While the keeper was under a strain of anxiety for his pet everything in the mammal house seemed to go wrong. Bananas were stolen, tidbits disappeared, and bottles fell over at night and were found broken in the morning. Tony's ghost seemed to haunt the place at night hours.

Keeper Murray started on an investigation of the nightly thefts. Every nook and corner was searched, and at last Murray thrust his hand into his clothes locker to satisfy himself that nobody was hiding therein. One by one every garment was taken out and shaken. In handling an old pair of trousers Murray saw something bulky in the pocket. Putting his hand in the keeper felt something soft and warm. It was Tony sound asleep after his adventure.

A Wonderful Combination.  
A church committee in Philadelphia advertised for a person to take charge of the choir and play the organ. Among the replies was the following: "Gentlemen: I noticed your advertisement for an organist and music teacher, either lady or gentleman. Having been both for several years I offer you my services."





## An Evening With The Natives.

### BRILLIANT RECEPTION AND BALL.

Conventional Hall Beautifully Decorated.—A Scene of Beauty and Refinement.—Washington's Best Society in Full Dress.—Over 1,000 Enjoyed Themselves With the Natives.

Since the organization of Washington social circle and the many brilliant balls and receptions given in this city by all classes, there never were a more brilliant ball and reception ever given in this city that has equalled the one given by the Native Washingtonians at the Convention Hall on Friday evening, October 20th. The hall presented a most picturesque appearance. There were fully two thousand decorations of the most unique description. The music of thirty or more pieces played some of the most classic selections. It was marvelous how so many people were fed with the least hindrance and at the cloak room everybody received their wraps without any trouble. The full dress attire of the gentlemen gave great dignity to the occasion. It was the best managed affair that has ever been given in this city from a strictly social standpoint. Washington's best society turned out. The organization deserves the highest praise that can be bestowed upon it and President Walker and all of his associates composing this new organization are entitled to be placed at the head of social entertainers. The guests out of the city were pleased beyond description and the manner in which so many were entertained reflects credit upon the organization. A southerner, a millionaire, is reported to have visited the ball and in conversation with an officer, he remarked that he had seen many gatherings, but he had never seen such a selection of beautiful women and such finely dressed men in his life. The flowers from the finest plants must have been selected, he said. In speaking of his own society, he said we do the same thing when we want the best people. This was not only the opinion of this southerner, but it was the expression of all who have witnessed receptions given by other organizations. Those who attended both inaugural balls two years ago and other social events declared that the reception of the Native Washingtonians surpassed them all. At both receptions there were white caterers and neither gave the satisfaction that the committee on supper gave on last Friday. Every thing was managed and conducted by the Native Washingtonians. Space will not permit this but to give the names of the many present, but suffice it to say that those who were not fortunate to receive an invitation missed the most brilliant ball and reception that has ever taken place in this city. The Native Washingtonians take the lead in the best society.

#### Installation of Officers.

The Julia Mason Layton Auxiliary No. 13 to Charles Young Command, Spanish-American War Veterans, were publicly installed with interesting ceremonies at Israel C. M. E. Church, 1st and B streets, southwest by Mrs. Flora A. Lewis. President General and Acting Installing Officer assisted by Mrs. E. Gertrude Mitchell, National Conductress and Mrs. A. C. Hawley who acted Color Guard. These are all national officers of the National Auxiliary Spanish-American War Veterans. The officers installed are as follows: Mrs. Julia Mason Layton, President; Mrs. Elizabeth Marshall, Senior Vice President; Miss Blanch Snowden, Junior Vice President; Mrs. Lottie Smart, Treasurer; Miss Maggie Upshaw, Chaplain; Miss Lottie Wallace, Conductress; Miss A. V. Tompkins, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Jane Hill Harris, Recording Secretary. They were all obligated with their hands placed upon Old Glory. The officers of Charles Young Command present were: Captain Samuel B. Wallace, Lieut. David A. Lane, Lieut. William H. Upsher and Lieut. Charles W. Edwards. Remarks were made by Mrs. Layton in a nice little speech, thanking the National officers for the beautiful manner of installing the officers. Miss Lewis replied by giving advice and requesting the officers to stand by the President and always be in their places so as to encourage the other members. Mrs. Hawley and Mrs. Mitchell also spoke words of encouragement. The G. A. R.'s was then called upon by Mrs. Layton, Ex-Lieut. Frank, Mr. Welch, the Colonel of R. G. Shaw Regiment No. 4, who spoke of Ensign, W. Bagley who was killed at the same moment the white officer was killed. Bagley lies in the unknown grave while his white comrade has been given a monument and his family provided for. Mrs. Layton said it was a shame and started a movement by requesting each school child to put in one cent and the parents ten cents each to raise a monument that every one could see and know the deeds that Bagley had done. Commander Brooks of Charles Young Regiment No. 9 G. A. R. spoke of the deeds done that the young people might enjoy this day by the G. A. R. Black Phalanx. Mrs. Layton sang two solos and was recalled. Bridge. Gen. R. D. Goodman of the U. S. V. gave a description of the burial of Col. Robert Gould Shaw. Prof. Walter Hastings and Capt. Wallace both gave very fine addresses. All who participated deserved much credit as the night was very inclement the thunder and lightning was very severe and the rain came down in torrents. The predictions of all is that the Auxiliary will be a complete success under Mrs. Julia Mason Layton. The church was tastefully decorated with flags, flowers and bunting. Refreshment were served in abundance. Piano music by Miss Georgiana Savoy.

#### AT GALBRAITH CHURCH.

On last Monday evening there was a distinguished audience present in the main auditorium of Galbraith church; the occasion was a complimentary reception and we came to Rev. S. L. Corrothers, pastor of that church. Seated around the pulpit were Revs. Snowden, J. A. Taylor, Recorder J. C. Dancy, Mr. Perry H. Carson, Rev. Rives, Bishop Clinton, Robert H. Terrill, Col. James Lewis of New Orleans and others. The committee in charge was the stewardesses of the church, with Miss Martha Liggins as secretary. Mr. Robert H. Terrill was presiding officer. Excellent addresses were delivered by Miss Mattie E. Bowen, Mrs. Julia Layton, Bishop Clinton, Col. James Lewis of Louisiana, Assistant superintendent of the schools Mr. W. S. Montgomery, Recorder of deeds J. C. Dancy, Perry H. Carson and others. Miss Maria Madre, read an excellent poem. Rev. Corrothers responded to the many speeches in commendation of him.

After the exercises the invited guests repaired to the lecture room where a beautiful table, set in a "T" shape awaited them.

Bishop Clinton read the reports of the collectors and donations made by the several clubs which elicited applause.

#### HARRIET LANE JOHNSON.

Was Treated With Great Consideration by Royalty During Her Stay in England.

Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnson, who has recently returned from London to her home at Washington, attended the coronation of King Edward at the special invitation of the English monarch. Mrs. Johnson is the niece of the late President Buchanan, and



HARRIET LANE JOHNSON.  
(Washington Woman Who Was Highly Honored in England.)

was mistress of the white house when King Edward, then the youthful prince of Wales, visited this country in 1860. Mrs. Lane was married in 1866 to Henry Elliott Johnson, and for a time lived in Washington, but now makes her home in Washington. The invitation sent her by the king was in memory of the hospitalities the then Miss Lane extended to the then prince of Wales in the white house. She was treated with distinguished consideration during her stay in England.

#### Dreams Made to Order.

A physician of Philadelphia mentions the case of a man who could be made to dream of any subject by whispering about it into his ear while he slept. It is a well-known fact that persons who talk in their sleep will frequently answer questions if spoken to softly.

#### His Pictures Are Popular.

A New York photographer is quite successful in giving to his stout patrons a somewhat slim and graceful appearance in their pictures. This is done by an artistic reduction of the negatives. He can make a 200-pounder seem a sylph of 140.

#### Income from Endowments.

A common note in the financial reports of institutions of all kinds is the regret at the decline of income caused by the fall in the rates of interest. The basis is now three or 3½ instead of six or seven a dozen years ago. This means that endowments must be doubled in order to keep up the income returns. The lower rate also has a far-reaching effect upon the chances open to the average man of retiring in his age with a competency. He has to save twice as much money to secure the income that he desires in the early seventies.—Boston Watchman.

#### THE FLOWER GARDEN.

Don't crowd your plants in placing. A few good plants give more real beauty and satisfaction than many poor ones, and symmetry is impossible without proper room. The crowded box or bed rarely looks well after the first few weeks.

Different varieties of the cactus are worth trying. Some will live easily and will bear an abundance of bloom. A blooming cactus is delightful, especially of the kind that bears large, crimson blossoms at the end of its graceful serrated leaves. Experiment with small plants at first.

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There is always something to do in a garden. Dead leaves must be picked off if everything else is in good order. Every dead leaf allowed to hang weakens the plant somewhat and shortens its season of bloom. So, too, with seedpods, which should never be allowed to form until blossom time is over.

A Sensible Division.  
Life must hold both joy and sorrow,  
Smile to-day and smile to-morrow;  
Let the future all be gay,  
Leave the tears to yesterday.  
—Washington Star.

#### STILL ELIGIBLE.



He—You haven't changed any since last summer.  
She—I've changed my name.  
He—Married?  
She—No; divorced.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

At a Fashionable Resort.  
"May I go bathing, mamma, dear?"  
"Oh, yes, my darling daughter;  
Put on your newest bathing suit,  
But don't go near the water."  
—Chicago Daily News.

Adam's Mistake.  
Freddie—Popper, what does it mean by Adam's one fatal slip?  
Freddie's Popper—Not hanging on to that rib, I guess.—N. Y. Times.

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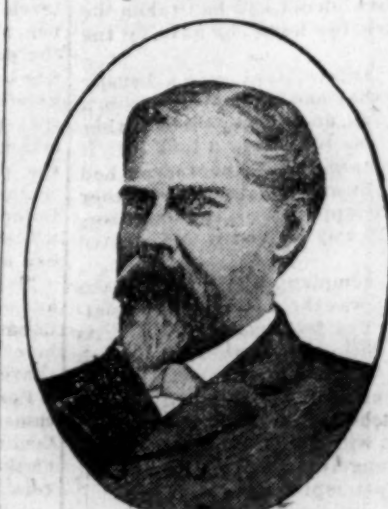
BISHOP JOHN M. FARLEY.  
(Recommended by Propaganda for Archbishop of New York.)

New York, has been the auxiliary bishop of that diocese since 1895, in which year he was consecrated bishop of Zeugma. In 1884 Pope Leo had already given Dr. Farley the title of monsignor, and in 1891 he was made vicar general of New York. The prospective archbishop was born in Armagh, Ireland, 60 years ago, and was educated partly in his native land and partly at St. John's college here, in the American college at Rome, and in St. Joseph's seminary at Troy. He has been a priest for 32 years.

#### GEN. JOHN C. BLACK.

Prominent Chicago Lawyer Is a Candidate for Commander in Chief of the G. A. R.

Gen. John C. Black, who has come out as a candidate for commander in chief of the Grand Army of the Republic, and who is having



GEN. JOHN C. BLACK.  
(Western Candidate for Commander in Chief of the Grand Army.)

quite a boom among the veterans in the east, is generally known to Grand Army men through his former service as commissioner of pensions. Gen. Black is a well-known lawyer of Chicago. He was a member of congress at large from 1893 to 1895, was United States district attorney for the northern district of Illinois from 1895 until 1899, and is a prominent member of the Loyal Legion. His war record is prime. He entered the army as private, and left it as a brevet brigadier general. His friends think him an ideal candidate for the command of the Grand army,



## ODD HUNTING STORY.

Tales of the Extraordinary Fate of a Wild Turkey.

Burney's Intelligent Dog Not Deceived, Though Its Master Was—A Discovery Which Surprised the Nimrod.

A good deal has been said about the extraordinary intellect of the wild turkey. Some men think that it has so much sense that it would die but for its strong constitution. A story sent to the New York Sun from Paragould, Ark., goes to show that Homer occasionally nods in turkeydom.

Dick Burney, a gunman, of Paragould, started after turkey one day taking with him his Irish setter Bess. Bess was what he called a cracking good turkey dog. That is, she would find the trail of the bird and follow it by scent as if she were a hound, finally running upon it and flushing it into a tree, barking at it and diverting its attention while her master made a stealthy approach and used his double barrel.

On this occasion there was slight snow on the ground and trailing promised to be good. The pair hunted for two hours without finding anything then struck a turkey-track. It led them for two miles.

Sometimes the dog lost it on hard bare ground, but always picked it up. Because of these delays the work was slow and the turkey, which may have known that it was followed, was able to keep well ahead.

Finally the trail ran out into an old field and stopped. There was bare ground ahead, no cover on either side, and no turkey. Burney concluded that the bird had flushed here and flown a half mile.

The setter, however, who had gone on for 20 feet or so, suddenly came to a dead stop, tail, legs and head rigid, a strong point. Burney walked up to her with his gun cocked, though there was nothing to indicate the presence of game.

Five yards further on a couple of small bare trees had been felled and



A STRONG POINT.

one lay across the other, forming a sort of V of the two trunks. They were bare of limbs. At the intersection of the trunks a hen turkey had squatted.

Its head was poked under the bottom trunk and it crouched in the blissful belief that because its head was hidden it could not be seen, as much like an ostrich as if it had been hatched in South Africa. Burney could have blown the bird to bits. He walked forward, and hearing him close behind the hen finally jerked its head back and flushed not ten feet away.

To avoid breaking it in two Burney waited until it had gone 25 yards, then held directly on it and pulled the trigger. Not a feather fell. Hastily he fired the left barrel with a like result. The turkey sailed on for a half mile and whizzed into some woods on the far side of the field.

Showing new shells into his gun and saying things, Burney followed. The setter got to the woods before he did and disappeared. Three minutes afterward the dog was lost as well as the turkey.

Burney whistled and searched to no purpose. Concluding that the dog had become bewildered and had taken the back track for home, he gave up the chase.

Fifty yards distant was a bushy tree top that had been severed from a fallen trunk, and Burney thought that he might as well have a look into it on the chance that the turkey had hidden in it and he might get another shot. He approached the tree top, went half way around it and started into it.

There, completely shielded by the branches, was the setter, rigidly pointing, and five feet from her, on its breast, with its wings folded much as if it were crouching, was the turkey, stone dead. It had died as soon as it reached the tree top, having been hard hit with the first barrel, and the dog, strangely believing it to be alive, had not attempted to retrieve it.

### Crippled by a Sneeze.

The champion sneezer of Pennsylvania is John Hamilton, a druggist, of New Castle. While at work on a prescription he felt a sneeze coming on, and to steady himself clutched a railing. The force of the sneeze was so great that it threw his shoulder out of joint.

### His Pension Came Too Late.

Many years ago, Henry Wensler, of Warsaw, Ind., a war veteran, applied for a pension. It has just been granted, and the government has sent him a check for \$25,000. The poor pensioner is not likely to appreciate this fortune, as he is demented.

## WOMAN SAVES TRAIN

Her Cool Nerve at a Trying Moment Prevents Disaster.

Assisted in Her Heroic Effort by a Telephone and a Man with a Bicycle—How She Found the Danger.

A San Rafael (Cal.) correspondent writes that the cool nerve of a plucky woman and the speed of a man riding for life on a bicycle was all that saved the Ukiah express, bound from Ukiah to Tiburon on the line of the California Northwestern railway, from destruction late the other afternoon. Mrs. James Cochrane, wife of a well-known San Rafael attorney, was the heroine of the incident, and to her courage scores of passengers on the endangered train owe their lives.

On that afternoon a storm of wind swept over San Rafael. Near the outskirts of town and close to the residence of Mrs. Cochrane a huge eucalyptus tree, fully 100 feet in height, and two feet in diameter in its thickest part, was blown over so that the heavy portion of its trunk lay squarely across the tracks of the California Northwestern railway. Shortly after five o'clock Mrs. Cochrane, with a team of horses, started on a drive into the country. She passed close to the track in her carriage and saw the big tree lying across the rails. Suddenly she thought struck her that the Ukiah express was about due. She looked at her watch and it read 5:10 o'clock. A feeling of dread passed over her as she realized that the quick moving train with its long string of passenger cars was due at 5:15 o'clock.

Hurriedly jumping from her carriage, she ran down the track, hoping to flag the train. Then the full peril of the situation dawned upon her. The tree had fallen just at the end of a curve, which wound itself about a tall hill. At the beginning of the curve the track emerged from a tunnel, and it was evident that the engineer in his



"IT WAS A CLOSE SHAVE."

cab would not be aware of his danger until he was right upon it.

Mrs. Cochrane confesses that she grew sick with fear and the thought came to her that the engineer emerging suddenly from the tunnel would not understand her signal till too late. Then she remembered the telephone, and, turning back ran over the rough ground toward the house, where a line was installed. Once she stumbled, but the distance was short and in less than two minutes she was ringing for the railway depot. Train Dispatcher Force answered her message. All that he heard was: "Tree across the track near the tunnel; hurry; a train is coming."

Outside the station G. E. Gillbride, the baggage master, who is an expert bicycle rider, was standing. Force called to him the message, and with a jump Gillbride had seized his bicycle and was off. Force threw him a signal flag as he started and yelled a string of orders after him as he spurred down the street. The distance was only about a mile and the bicyclist rode like the wind. After he had gone a block he heard the shrill whistle of the coming train as it approached the tunnel. It was a race of man against a train with a hundred lives depending on the result. Gillbride reached the fallen tree, jumped from his bicycle, ran down the track away to the mouth of the tunnel, and as the engine emerged from the darkness flashed his red signal flag before the startled engineer. The whistle screamed "Brakes down," and with the engine shivering with the exertion, the train came to a stop with the nose of the locomotive's cow-catcher scarcely two feet from the fallen tree. Engineer Lewis, his face white from the peril, jumped from the cab and hurried to the signalman.

"It was a close shave," he gasped, and as the questioning passengers and Conductor Crane pressed around him he could only repeat: "It was a close shave, a close shave."

Pretty soon a half hysterical woman came down the track. It was Mrs. Cochrane and she told of the finding of the danger. The crew and passengers thanked her over and over again.

### Snails Delight in Music.

A German scientist recently pointed out that snails were able to draw immense weights, and now a French naturalist claims that there are few, if any, animals which have a higher appreciation of music than snails. Place some snails on a pane of glass, he says, and you will find that, as they move over it they will make musical sounds similar to those which a person can produce by wetting his finger and then rubbing it around a glass tumbler. Complete airs, he points out, have been played on tumblers in this way, and he expresses the opinion that quite as good results can be obtained by using snails instead of fingers.

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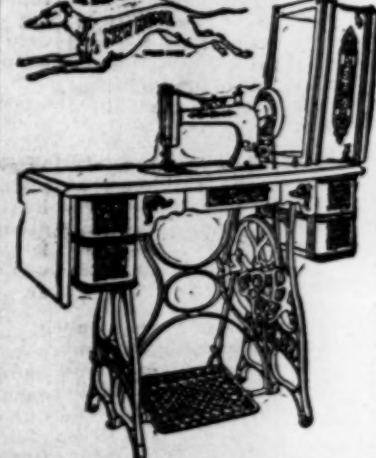
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## HERE'S A LITTLE



## Pointer for You

I shall in this column endeavor to answer all correspondence that may be sent and urgently request young ladies to read this column, and any questions that they wished answered please send them in before Saturday of each week.

By Miss MAY CLEMATIS.

G. P. You should certainly take time and visit your friends.

G. M. You are too young to attend the G. A. R. ball. A girl of sixteen should have her mind on her books and not be thinking of receptions.

E. L. Don't think because you are not a school teacher that you are not as good as other people. You will not find all roses in the school. A girl must be able to do something other than teach school.

Elsie. Don't go into conspicuous places and then you will not have your name defiled.

Truthfulness should be the great moral precept of all young ladies. It keeps the confidence of a person to be always truthful.

The duty of young ladies is to conduct themselves in the presence of gentlemen to command respect.

Positions don't make men, although it seems hard for a man to be a gentleman in the estimation of some people except he is in office or holds an official position.

People who are not used to well doing are the most easy to become big-headed.

H. E. You must not be so easily discouraged. Nothing that is of real worth can be achieved without courageous working.

Matrimony is a very delicate business and should be looked upon from a serious standpoint.

It is not necessary to be too gay to be admired. Sedateness will carry you farther than anything else.

Don't be carried away by good looks. They fade away sometimes. Good looks will not support you.

An intelligent girl should not marry a man who does not like to work.

There is no sin meaner than ingratitude.

Ella. Don't talk your home affairs to outsiders. S. rangers are not interested in your troubles, then again it is not the most entertaining topic that one can talk on.

Rosa. You are entirely too gay and conspicuous. Your friends are few and far between.

It is unbecoming for any young lady to talk so much about other peoples affairs.

He who is without patience will be uneasy and troublesome to all with whom he is connected. Patience, like a gentle disposition, can be cultivated.

A fine dress in the eyes of some people covers more sins than charity.

T. J. Too much confidence in a person sometimes is as bad as not enough. Men are strange creatures. They seldom appreciate those that seek them.

Manners are different but true politeness is always the same.

A person never appears so ridiculous by the qualities he has, as by those he affects to have.

It is easier to get a bad name than to retain a good one, therefore be exceedingly careful.

It is hard to deceive a sensible person, though the best of us are deceivers sometimes.

Some people know it all in their own estimation.

Some girls like to be known and regarded popular.

Life is all a chance, like anything else.

Some friendship is like new clothes made to wear out.

A. A. You should make yourself useful as well as ornamental.

Always sympathize with the unfortunate.

Give some time to something other than dress. Sometimes dress ruins a girl's reputation.

Lizzie. You can't help from being admired, because of your sweet disposition.

Whatever you do let it be done well.

Don't think that you are "all of it" simply because one chances to compliment you.

It is not the so called friend that you must trust. A good friend never betrays.

E. L. You are alright to look at, but your ways are displeasing. The most popular person is the one with ugly notions.

Never sham, and by all means keep your face off of your face.

A man's worst enemy is generally himself, but a woman's usually her "best friend."

An evil person can do more harm in one day, than good can be done in two.

Young ladies who are in public service should be reserved and polite.

Don't be disrespectful to the aged. You may regret some day.

Politeness will suit the careless girl. Let your language be refined.

Don't expect of others what you are able to do yourself, neither criticize a person for accomplishing an act which you have not the ability to accomplish.

## DID NOT COME BACK.

Uncle Michael Fooled His Long-Lost Little Niece.

He Was Received Cordially and Tea Was Brewed for Him, But He Escaped Before Giving Up Any of His Riches.

And now Lady Gwendolyn would again be in a position to thwart the dark Machiavellian schemes of Sir Reginald Montmorenci de Guelph. She could hardly believe her eyes as she hastily scanned the letter once more that told her her uncle, Baron Rupert, had forgiven her on his deathbed and made her heiress to his vast domains and his rental of \$20,000,000 a year. What could she do with this money? The fatality which from her earliest years had—

At this point in the exciting story, says the New York World, Mrs. Bessie Seeley laid aside her paper-covered novel and hastened to the door of her room on the third floor of 309 West One Hundred and Forty-Eighth street, for some one had knocked.

It was on the afternoon of July 18 last. Remember the date.

She opened wide the door and a stranger, an old, old man, stepped over the threshold. His clothes were travel-stained and his face weather-beaten and lined with wrinkles, but there was a merry twinkle in his blue eyes as he said:

"Bessie, I have found you at last."

"Sir!" said Mrs. Seeley, drawing herself up with dignity.

"You—you do not know me," faltered the old man. "I can hardly blame you, child, for you have never seen me before. But I would know you from your likeness to your mother. She was my sister Bessie, and I am your old Uncle Michael. I have come all the way from England to find you and to place you in a position such as you should occupy in the world. I am very wealthy, little girl, and I shall

make you my sole heiress, for I am childless."

"Come in," said Mrs. Seeley, in a trembling voice. "Forgive me that I did not know you, Uncle Rupert—to I mean Michael; but, as you say, I never saw you before—and, indeed, I never heard of you. But there, there—don't look so distressed, uncle, dear. Sit you down and I will do my best to make your declining days peaceful and happy."

The old man took the proffered chair and sighed deeply.

"I am very weary," he said. "I have come a long, long way to find you. Brew me a cup of tea, Bessie, for it will strengthen your old uncle."

There was no tea in the house, but Mrs. Seeley, all a-flutter with excitement, untied her apron, put on her hat, and said that she would run down to the corner grocery and get some tea and a pound of tripe. She would not be gone five minutes. She went, and on her way into the house met her newly-found uncle in the hallway.

"Run up and brew the tea for me, Bessie," he said. "I will be back in a minute. I have forgotten something—a little surprise for you, Bessie; just a little surprise your old uncle has for you."

"Bless his dear old heart!" murmured Mrs. Seeley to herself as she ran up the stairs. "He is so thoughtful. And to think that it is just like the story I was reading. Oh, I wonder if I shall have \$20,000,000 a year like Lady Gwendolyn. It is a great deal of money."

And then she brewed the tea for her rich old Uncle Michael and waited for his return. That was on July 18, as has been stated. She waited all the afternoon. Then she grew a trifle suspicious. She discovered that her husband's alleged gold watch, an heirloom, was missing. It has been missing ever since.

But the other day Mrs. Seeley found her Uncle Michael again. She saw him on Eighth avenue and called the attention of a policeman to him. He was arrested, and at the station-house said he was Michael Egan, 58 years old, of One Hundred and Seventy-fourth street and Jerome avenue. He said he had never seen Mrs. Seeley before and denied emphatically that he was her uncle. But Magistrate Zeller had his doubts and so held Uncle Michael in \$1,000 bail in the Harlem police court for trial.

**Chinese Are Fond of Ducks.**

Ducks are the most numerous fowls in China, and form the chief animal food of the Mongolians. They are kept on every farm, and on all the lakes and smaller streams. There are many boats in some of which as many as 2,000 are kept.

**Pens Made of Bamboo.**

Bamboo pens have been used in India for over 100 years. They are made like the ordinary pen, and for a few hours' writing are said to be very serviceable.

## CLEVER BUNCO GAME.

Obliging Saloonkeeper Loses a Ten-Dollar Bill by a Deft Change of Envelopes.

Abraham Johnson, proprietor of a New York saloon, discovered the other morning that he was the victim of a new bunco game.

A well-dressed stranger entered Johnson's place and bought a glass of beer. The man was standing at the bar drinking when another stranger appeared. The latter threw a ten-dollar greenback on the counter and asked to have it changed. Johnson did so. The other stranger then asked to be given the bill in exchange for silver, as he wished to inclose it in a letter

which he was going to send to Chicago.

Taking the letter from his pocket, he handed it to the saloonkeeper and asked him to tuck the bill inside while he took the change from his pockets. Johnson carefully folded up the bill and handed the letter back to the stranger, who sealed it and put it in his pocket before he started to count out the silver coin.

After going through the handful of money which he had drawn from his pocket the stranger announced that he did not have change enough by 35 cents. He then pulled the letter out of his pocket and handed it back to Johnson and asked him to hold it while he went back to the Endicott hotel and got more money.

The envelope of the letter bore the Endicott advertising. The unsuspecting victim turned and put the letter in a money drawer and the stranger walked out. His partner had preceded him by a few minutes.

Next morning Johnson, who had been wondering why the man did not return for his letter, needed ten dollars, and decided to open the letter and extract the bill. His surprise was great when he pulled out three sheets of blank paper and no bill. He realized that the letters had been changed on him.

A description of the bunco men has been furnished the police.

**WEIRD SNAKE STORY.**

Reptile of the Garter Variety Had Established Headquarters in a Cow's Udder.

A countryman, says the San Francisco Chronicle, called at the store of Polk Miller one morning with a pail of milk in which a snake about six inches long curled and wriggled. The countryman declared that the snake had made its appearance in the milk pail that morning, being passed from the cow in the milking operation.

The truth of the story was vouched for by his daughter, who was in the ball gown might be almost passed and comparatively inexpensive, the dinner gown of a woman in society invariably reaches a high water mark of newness of design, rich materials and costly embellishments.

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The lady at his side listened beamingly, and at the end of the champagne course became delightfully communicative. Said she:

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The Frenchman looked blank. The lady proceeded:

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It Is Undermining the Morals of Some Society Women.

Many Get Their Most Splendid Apparel by Giving Mortgages on Property Held in Trust for Their Husbands.

Dinner gown mortgages, or, to be more accurate, mortgages because of the dinner gown, are now included among the financial transactions of New York's fashionable women. To the fashionable dressmaker belongs the distinction of being primarily their projector and promoter, says the New York Sun.

The fact might never have been generally known had it not been for a visiting Frenchman, who, thoroughly impressed with some interesting information on the subject, gained one evening from a lady whom he had taken in to dinner, availed himself of the very first chance to talk it over at the club. Then the interesting members hastened to parade their knowledge before certain of their women friends, who in turn eagerly communicated the facts to other women not in the secret, and so the news spread.

Like some other foreign visitors, the Frenchman, during his stay in New York, marveled at the superb dinner gowns which met his eye wherever he went—marveled quite as much at the variety of them, each more splendid than the last, included in a society woman's wardrobe, as at their apparent costliness; and before long he was ready to believe that in no other country of the world is money spent so lavishly for women's clothes as in America.

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## City Items.

Hon. John G. Jones, of Chicago, Ill., paid the city a visit last week.

Mr. Harry Prater has returned from Hot Springs, Va., where he spent several months.

Mr. William Evans formerly of this city but now of New York spent last week in this city.

Col. H. M. Minger, of Bolivar County, Miss., was in the city attending the Grand Army Encampment last week.

Editor Murphy of the Baltimore, Md., *Afro-American* attended the Grand Army Encampment. Editor Murphy is a wide awake writer.

Mr. William W. Johnson, Albany, New York, the financial agent of the William McKinley Normal and Industrial School was in the city last week.

Comrade R. D. Goodman, 2nd Bridge, Gen. of the U. V. U., is one man who stands by those who stand by him. He is not much of a speaker but a great worker.

Preston B. Middleton, age 14 years, the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Middleton was buried from Zion Baptist Church, Sunday October 12th at 10 o'clock. Rev. Sayles officiated and was assisted by Rev. William Gibbons, Mr. Jarvis and Rev. W. H. Snowden. The flowers were numerous and beautiful.

## She Was Acquitted.

Mrs. Mary Price of 67 Rhode Island avenue, northwest was a defendant before the court Saturday last charged with assaulting her 14 year old son, James. Mrs. Price is a cripple and was defended by Lawyer Frisby. The evidence was to the effect that she tied the boy with a clothes line and beat him with a strap. The boy told the Court that he played truant from school and when he went home in the afternoon his clothing was wet and his mother beat him. After comment by the court, the case was dismissed.

## COTTON HANDS WANTED.

Wanted colored cotton field hands to grow cotton in West Africa. Comfortable homes and just treatment guaranteed. Deserving applicants please write to New Cotton Fields Limited, 43 Devonshire Chambers, Bishopsgate Street, London, England.

## Accidents Will Happen.

Landlady—Yes, sir; two chickens went into that soup.  
Boarder—Never mind, ma'am, never mind. No harm done; no one would ever suspect it, I assure you.—Brooklyn Life.

## LEGAL NOTICE.

Marion T. Clinkscales, Attorney.  
Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.  
HOLDING A PROBATE COURT.  
No. 10,835, Administration.  
THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE.

That the subscriber, of the District of Columbia has obtained from the Probate Court of the District of Columbia, Letters of administration on the estate of Thomas F. Johnson late of the District of Columbia, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers therefor, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 17th day of September, A. D. 1902; otherwise they may be excluded from all benefit of said estate.

Given under my hand this 17th day of September, 1902, Ethel Johnson, 315 T street, northwest.  
John R. Kousar, Deputy Register of Wills for the District of Columbia.  
Clerk of the Probate Court.

L. M. King and William J. Lee, Attorneys.  
Supreme Court of the District of Columbia.  
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That the subscriber, of the District of Columbia has obtained from the Probate Court of the District of Columbia, Letters of administration on the estate of Solomon Mitchell late of the District of Columbia, deceased. All persons having claims against the deceased are hereby warned to exhibit the same, with the vouchers therefor, legally authenticated, to the subscriber, on or before the 26th day of August, A. D. 1902, otherwise they may be excluded from all benefit of said estate. Given under my hand this 26th day of August 1902. Catherine Curtis, 1642 4th street, northwest.

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## PREHISTORIC AMERICAN.

Great Interest Attached to the Uncovering of a Buried Skull Near Lansing, Kan.

M. C. Long, curator of the Kansas City public museum, has photographed the "Lansing skull," from different viewpoints, and the accompanying illustration, says the Kansas City Star, is reproduced from one of the photographs. The prehistoric skull is now in the possession of Mr. Long. After a thorough investigation Mr. Long is satisfied that the skull is that of a prehistoric man, who in all probability lived during the glacial period, 35,000 years ago, and this opinion is fully shared by Prof. S. W. Williston, of the Kansas university.

On March 23 of this year workmen found the skull while digging a tunnel



THE LANSING SKULL.  
(It Belonged to a Man Who Lived in Prehistoric Times.)

nel deep into the side of a hill on a farm near Lansing, Kan. Mr. Long chanced to hear of the finding of the skull and went to Lansing. If the opinion of Curator Long and Prof. Williston is correct, as they feel assured it is, the "Lansing skull" for the first time offers tangible proof of the existence of prehistoric man in North America. In Europe several prehistoric skulls have been found, but this is the first to be found in America. The "Lansing skull" was found deep under well-defined strata of earth and rock, and was imbedded in what is called river loess. This prehistoric man was probably a contemporary of the mastodon and giant sloth.

The photograph does not give an adequate idea of the peculiarities of the perceptive faculties. The forehead slopes back immediately from the eyes, and there is practically no forehead. Over the eyes, however, are well-developed ridges, which are taken to denote that the perceptive faculties were considerable. The back of the skull, as seen in the illustration, is almost abnormally developed, and there the skull is very thick. Pieces of stone are attached to and imbedded in the skull, and those pieces of stone are identified with those found attached to the bones of mastodons. The cracks seen in the skull were caused by the workmen who found it, for they attached no importance to the find and allowed several heavy boxes to fall upon it, breaking it into half a dozen pieces. Curator Long has copyrighted the photographs.

Where Goats Are Doctored.  
The goats of Naples go upstairs into tenement houses to be milked, sometimes to the sixth or seventh stories.

'Tis hotter every week—  
And yet we're glad we're living here  
And not at Martinique.  
—Washington Star.

The Trouble.  
Mrs. Jones—I always think twice before I speak once, sir!  
Mr. Jones (sighing)—Exactly, Maria;—but you're such a quick thinker!  
—Puck.

The Great Drawback.  
Mrs. Quizz—Do you find wedded life all you anticipated?  
Mrs. Gay—Oh, dear, no! I am having a dreadful time to secure a divorce.—Ohio State Journal.

## TRIPLE TRAGEDY IN LOUISIANA.

Crime Perpetrated to Secure \$300 of Pension Money—Women Disguised as Negro Men Shot Dead by a Pedler.

Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 19.—(Special.)—Telegrams were received in Little Rock today confirming the story of a triple killing chronicled exclusively in dispatches to The Commercial Appeal Wednesday night.

The tragedy occurred just across the Arkansas State line, however, below Columbia county, in the adjoining parish of Louisiana. The following telegram was received today from Magnolia:

At Ashland, La., Wednesday night, a pedler stopped to spend the night at the home of a white family. The woman told him her husband had gone hunting with two friends. After retiring the pedler heard a scuffle, broke open the door to her room and found her throat cut. There were appeared to be two negro men in the room, who attempted to escape. He shot both dead. When he aroused the neighborhood an investigation was made, the two supposed negroes proved to be the wives of the white men who had persuaded the husband of the murdered wife to go hunting. The wives killed the woman to secure \$3000 pension money in the house. All parties are white. It is impossible to give the names at this writing. The two men escaped.

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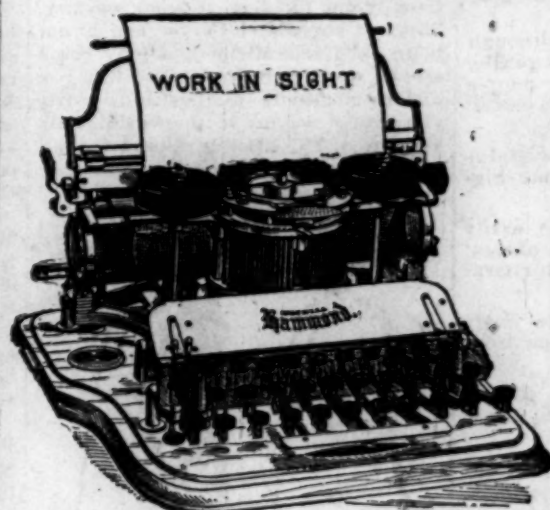
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